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**Introduced by Senator Polanco**

February 22, 2002

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An act to add Article 6 (commencing with 8780) to Chapter 4 of Part 6 of the Education Code, relating to environmental education.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1988, as introduced, Polanco. Environmental education fund.

Existing law contains various provisions regarding environmental education, including a grant program that funds programs in public schools, community colleges, and regional conservation education centers for the purpose of conservation education.

This bill would create an Environmental Education Fund in which funds from public or private organizations and money judgments of a state or federal court may be deposited to fund grants for environmental education, as provided.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Article 6 (commencing with Section 8780) is  
2 added to Chapter 4 of Part 6 of the Education Code, to read:

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4 Article 6. Environmental Education Fund

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6 8780. The Environmental Education Fund is hereby created  
7 in the State Treasury for the purposes of this article. Transfers of  
8 funds from public or private organizations and appropriate money  
9 judgments of a state or federal court may be deposited into the fund



- 1 for the purposes of this article and, upon appropriation by the
- 2 Legislature, shall be available to fund grants for environmental
- 3 education.

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